

BALTIMORE METROCENTER SURVEY

SURVEY NO.: B-2004

AREA: Cathedral Hill

MAGI NO.: 0420045411

Address: 9 West Hamilton Street

Current Name: Law Offices - Field, Eaton, and Murphy

Block: 551 Lot: 5 Lot size: 45 ft. x 145 ft.
Height: 2 Materials: Brick
Condition: Good Owner: Dennis Brown
Use: Commercial Accessible: Yes, restricted
Designation: Liber/Folio: SEB 152/169



Historic Name:

Date: ca. 1840

Architect/Builder:

Style (if appropriate):

Description: Formerly a carriage house like No. 7 West Hamilton, the facade of No. 9 has a more regular window arrangement. The seven-course American bond exterior has a segmental arch of two soldier courses on the left side, under which is a modern paneled door and a pair of 12-light casement windows. Left of the door is a small oblong window covered with wire mesh. On the right of the entrance bay is a three-part window with a pair of center-opening casements between single fixed casements. A former door right of the window is bricked in. A bracketed hood extends across both the window and the former door opening. On the second floor are two windows with fixed central plate glass flanked by fixed casements. Air conditioners project from the center sections. A brick dentil cornice finishes the facade. A "Colonial" sign identifying the law offices is located between the two first floor bays. A circular dark patch on the brick between the upper floor bays may have been the location of an insurance marker.

Significance:

Area: architecture

Level: local

Like No. 7 West Hamilton, the small scale and functional design of No. 9 is an extension of the character of the north side of West Hamilton Street, already a designated historic district. No. 9 retains a more recognizable carriage house origin than the adjoining facade. For several years in the mid-20th century, it was the home of Bruce Cotten, whose collection of historical memorabilia bequeathed to the University of North Carolina was a major acquisition of American cultural artifacts. Cotten was the husband of Edyth Johns Tyson.

Sources: City directories; will records; land records.
Surveyor and Date: Janet Davis, May 1985

Baltimore Metrocenter Survey
Cathedral Hill Area
9 West Hamilton Street
B-2004



9 West Hamilton Street B-2004
Cathedral Hill - Metrocenter Survey
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Janet Davis
Date: July 1984
Neg. loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
North elevation

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

551
B-2004
mag H0426045911

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

9 W. Hamilton Street

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

9 W. Hamilton Street

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

—DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
—STRUCTURE
—SITE
—OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

—PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
—BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

—IN PROCESS
—BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
—UNOCCUPIED
—WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
—YES: RESTRICTED
☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED
—NO

PRESENT USE

—AGRICULTURE —MUSEUM
—COMMERCIAL —PARK
—EDUCATIONAL —PRIVATE RESIDENCE
—ENTERTAINMENT —RELIGIOUS
—GOVERNMENT —SCIENTIFIC
—INDUSTRIAL —TRANSPORTATION
—MILITARY ☒ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Bruce Cotten

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

City of Baltimore Neighborhood Survey

DATE

1975

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY ☒ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Commission for Hist. & Arch. Pres.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland

21202

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT☐ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located in Mid block, with the right side wall on an alley, this 2 story, 2 bay building possitively a coach house has a flat roof that pitches slightly towards the front. The facade is of common bond brick and the side is surfaced in concrete.

Left to the right the first floor has; a small vertical, single pane window set high in the wall, a wide segmentally arched opening which has a sign panel door with 2 marble stairs to the left and 2, 12 pane fixed windows to the right. On the right side of the facade is a former shopfront which has a bricked up doorway to the right four 8 panel casements to the left and is capped by a bracketed cornice.

The second floor has 2 tripartite windows; each consisting of a large single pane of galss flanked by two eight paned casements. All the windows have brick sills, and the second floor windows have brick lintels as well. There is a simple relief brick cornice with dentils.

The side wall has four 6-over-6 double hung windows, on the first floor 1 towards the front, two to the rear, and one to the rear on the second floor. There are 3 chimney, 2 towards the front, one at the rear corner.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

☐ PREHISTORIC
☐ 1400-1499
☐ 1500-1599
☐ 1600-1699
☐ 1700-1799
☒ 1800-1899
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☒ ARCHITECTURE
☐ ART
☐ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
☐ CONSERVATION
☐ ECONOMICS
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ THEATER
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Building apx. 30' wide
 Rear of same lot as 20-22
 West Franklin Street

45' x 145'

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marsha Rozansky Planning Assistant

ORGANIZATION

Commission for Hist. & Arch. Pres.

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

26 S. Calvert Street Room 900

TELEPHONE

396-4866

CITY OR TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

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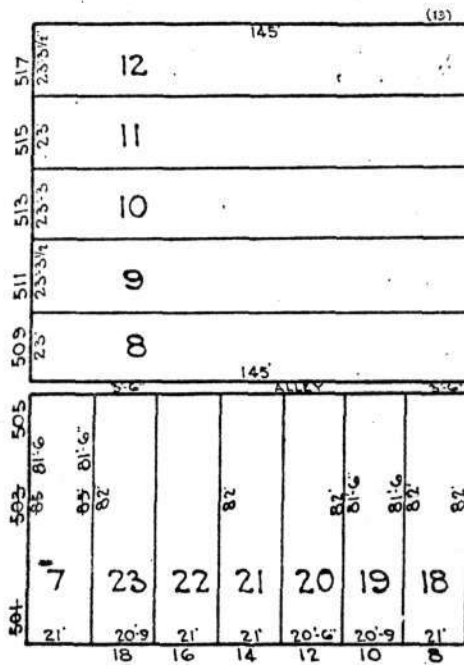
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Lot 7 Ho. No. CHANGE PER FIELD C.S.H. 9568-A

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PLACE

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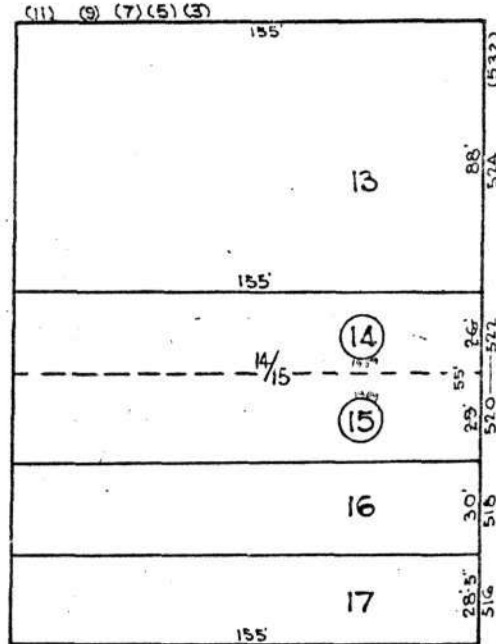
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MORTON

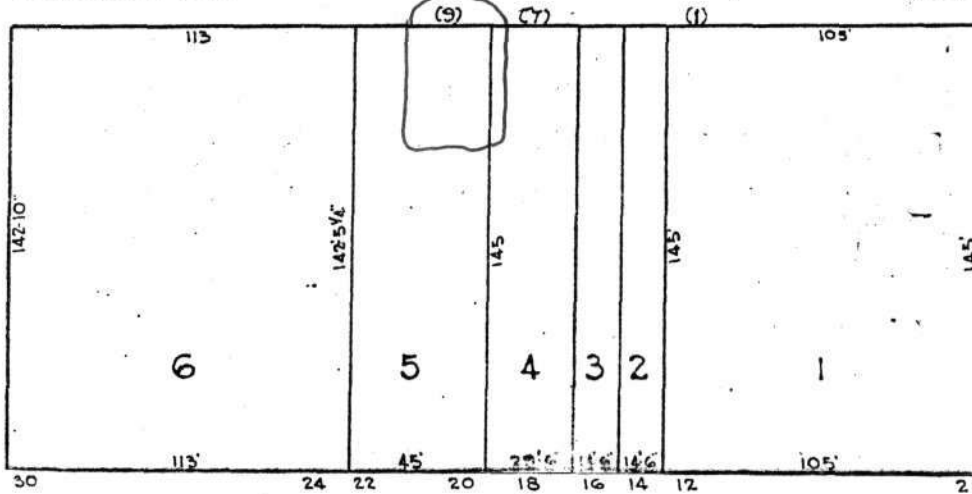


ST.

W. HAMILTON

ST.

CATHEDRAL



N. CHARLES

W. FRANKLIN

ST.

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CITY OF BALTIMORE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF PLANS & SURVEYS
PROPERTY LOCATION DIVISION

WARD **11** SECTION **10**
BLOCK **551**

SCALE 1 INCH = 40 FT. DATE August 25-47

TRACED BY *W. Sienkiewicz*

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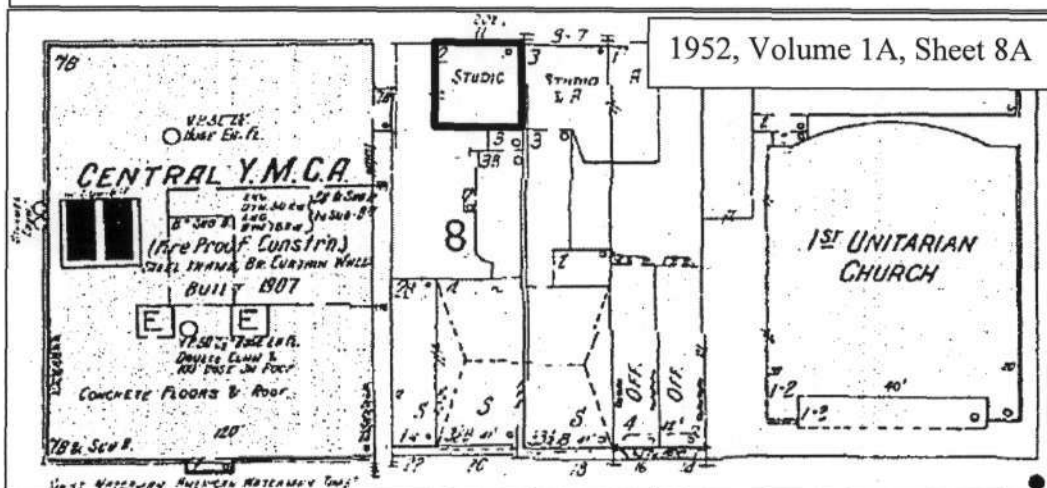
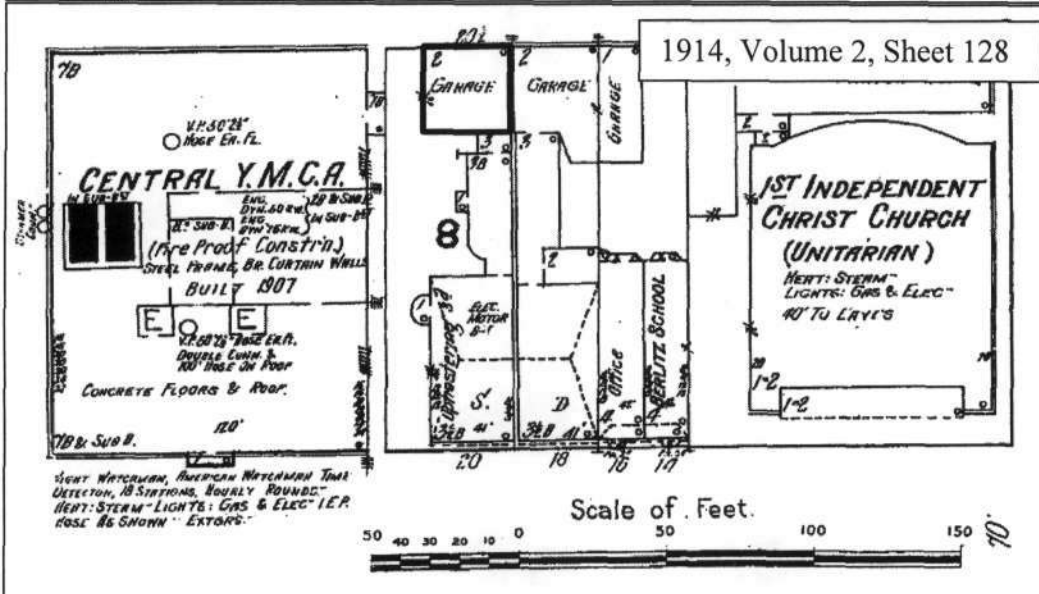
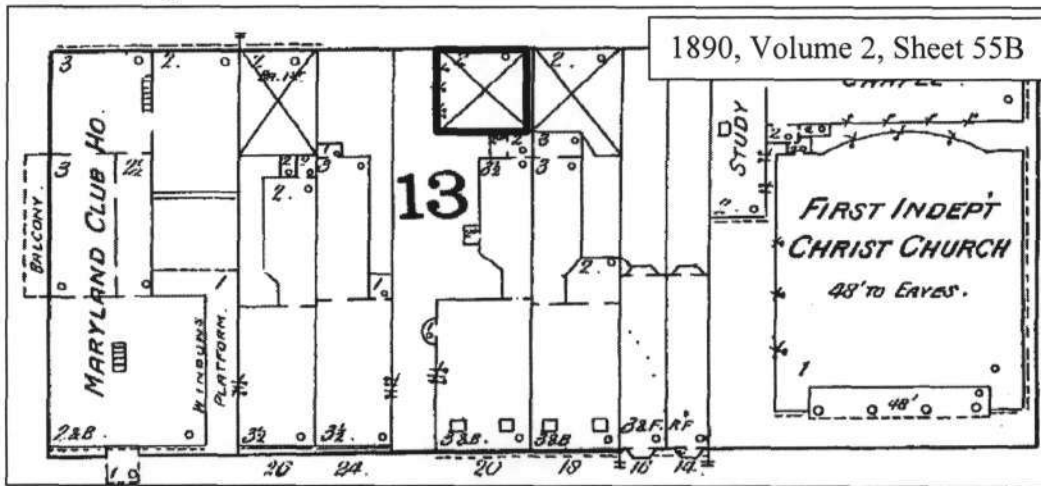
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9 W. Hamilton Street, Baltimore (formerly 20 1/2 W. Franklin and 11 W. Hamilton)

Sanborn Maps



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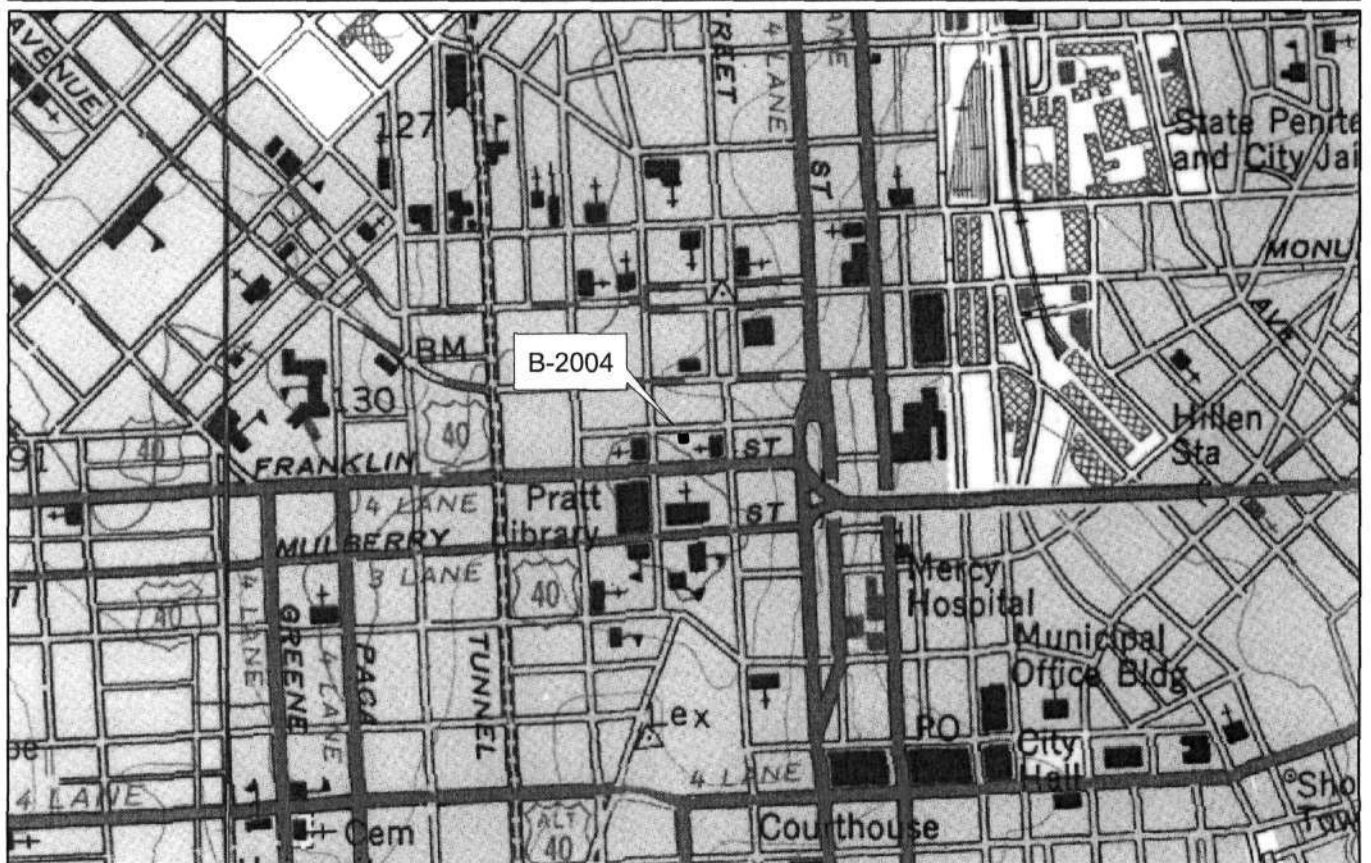
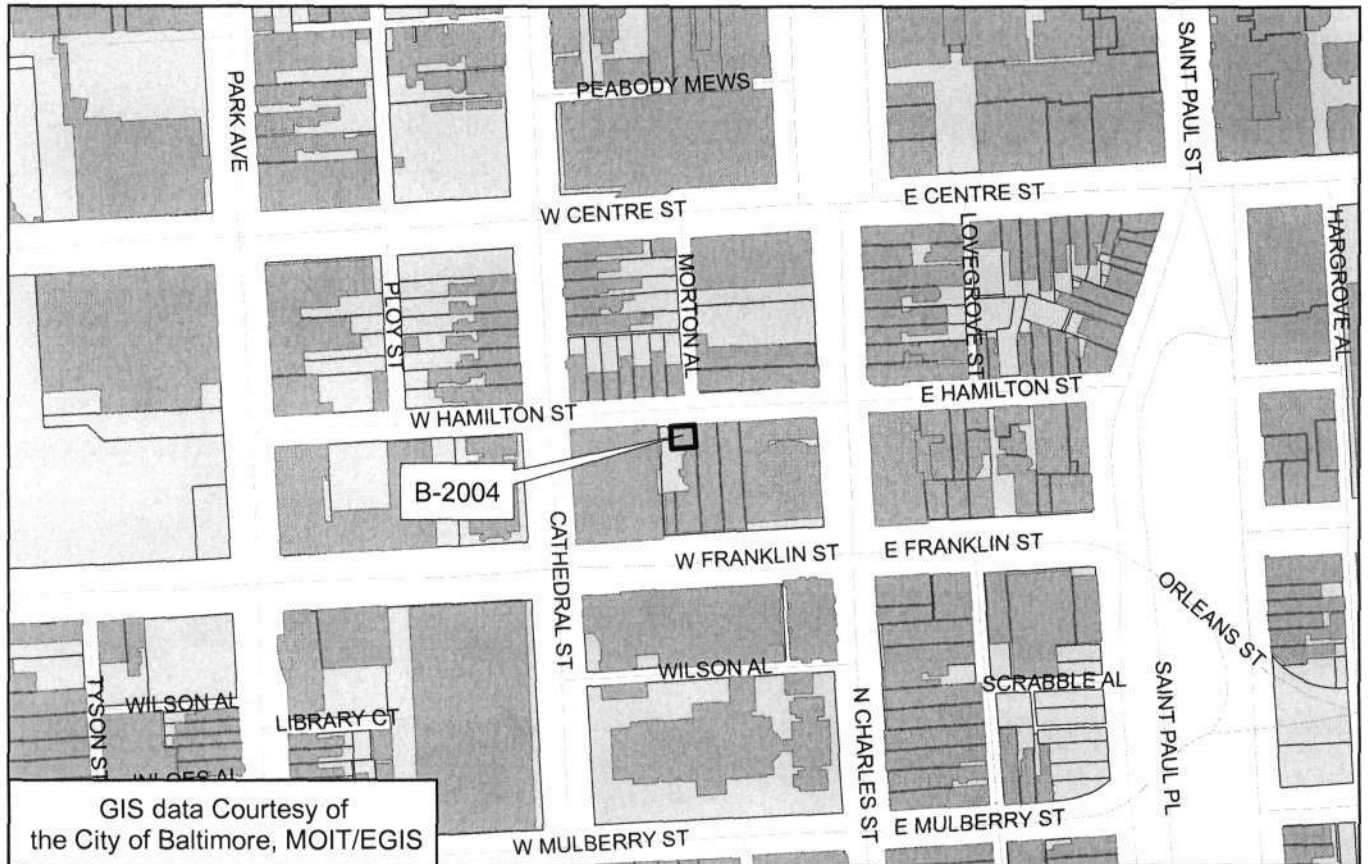
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9 W. Hamilton Street

Block 0551 Lot 005

Baltimore City

Baltimore East Quad





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